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SUBJ: ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK ANNUAL MEETING

REF: STATE 53964

1. AZIZUL HUQ, ADDITIONAL SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL & FINANCE, MINISTRY OF FINANCE TOLD EMOFF THAT COMPOSITION OF BDG DELEGATION FOR ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK ANNUAL MEETING WAS NOT REPEAT NO YET FINAL BUT WOULD PROBABLY BE HEADED BY MEMBER OF PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL OF ADVISORS (EQUIVALENT TO MINISTER). SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION (PROMISED MARCH 15) BDG DELEGATION WILL BE HEADED BY AR. MIRZA NURUL HUDA, PRESIDENTIAL ADVISOR FOR MINISTRIES OF PLANNING, COMMERCE AND AGRICULTURE. AGAIN SUBJECT CONFIRMATION, DELEGATION WILL INCLUDE SYEDUZZAMAN, FINANCE SECRETARY AND KAFILUDDIN MAHMOOD, PLANNING SECRETREY.

2. HUQ SAID THE BDG DELEGATION WOULD HAVE NO SPECIFIC ISSUES TO RAISE WITH THE US DELEGATION OTHER THAN REPLENISHMENT. THE ADDITIONAL SECRETARY SAID THE BDG LOOKED TO THE US TO LEAD OTHER COUNTRIES WITH A LARGE REPLENISHMENT PLEDGE. EMOFF EXPLAINED THAT ACTUAL AMOUNTS WOULD BE DETERMINED BY CONGRESS BUT US WAS COMMITTED GENERALLY TO SUPPORT OF ADB.

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3. IN ADDITION, THE BANGLADESH WILL NOMINATE THEIR GOVERNOR

(DR. HUDA) AND ALTERNATE GOVERNOR (SYEDUZZAMAN) AT THE APRIL
MHETING. THE BDG DELEGATION WILL ALSO BE CONCERNED WITH SPECIFIC
PROJECTS FOR BANGLADESH.
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